

DOCKET NO. 158 - An application of Springwich Cellular Limited Partnership for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for

the construction, maintenance, and operation of a cellular telecommunications

tower and associated equipment for a proposed site located approximately 0.3 miles west of Hoskins Road, near

the intersection of Andrews Road,

Bloomfield, Connecticut.

Connecticut

Siting

Council

: May 6, 1993

Decision and Order

Pursuant to the foregoing Findings of Fact and Opinion, the Connecticut Siting Council (Council) finds that the effects associated with the construction, operation, and maintenance of a cellular telecommunications tower at the proposed site in Bloomfield, Connecticut, including effects on the natural environment; ecological integrity and balance; public health and safety; scenic, historic, and recreational values; forests and parks; air and water purity; and fish and wildlife are not disproportionate either alone or cumulatively with other effects when compared to need, are not in conflict with the policies of the State concerning such effects, and are not sufficient reason to deny the application and therefore directs that a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need as provided by section 16-50k of the Connecticut General Statutes (CGS), be issued to Springwich Cellular Limited Partnership (Springwich), for the construction, operation, and maintenance of a cellular telecommunications tower at the proposed site off Hoskins Road in Bloomfield, Connecticut.

The facility shall be constructed, operated, and maintained substantially as specified in the Council's record in this matter, and subject to the following conditions:

- The self-supporting lattice tower shall be no taller 1. than necessary to provide the proposed communications service and in no event shall the tower exceed a total height of 183 feet above ground level with antennas and appurtenances.
- Prior to the commencement of construction, the 2. Certificate holder shall prepare a Development and Management (D&M) Plan for this site in compliance with sections 16-50j-75 through 16-50j-77 of the Regulations of State Agencies. The D&M Plan shall include detailed plans for the tower, tower foundation, and tower lighting; locations of all antennas to be attached to this tower; location of the security fence; detailed plans for site clearing; and detailed plans for erosion and sediment control. The D&M Plan shall be submitted to the Council for approval prior to the commencement of tower construction.

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- 3. The Certificate holder shall request the tower owner for an engineering analysis of the existing 100-foot repeater tower on Talcott Mountain ridge to determine if the antennas on the repeater tower can be satisfactorily transferred to the new tower and the repeater tower removed. Any such engineering analysis shall be provided to the Council for its review and acceptance prior to the commencement of tower construction.
- 4. The Certificate holder shall comply with any existing and future radio frequency (RF) standard promulgated by State or federal regulatory agencies. Upon the establishment of any new governmental RF standards, the facility granted herein shall be brought into compliance with such standards.
- 5. The Certificate holder shall provide the Council a recalculated report of electromagnetic radio frequency power density if and when circumstances in operation cause a change in power density above the levels originally calculated and provided in the application.
- 6. The Certificate holder shall permit public or private entities to share space on the proposed tower for fair consideration, or shall provide any requesting entity with specific legal, technical, environmental, or economic reasons precluding such tower sharing.
- 7. If the facility does not initially provide, or permanently ceases to provide cellular or other services following completion of construction, this Decision and Order shall be void, and the tower and all associated equipment shall be dismantled and removed or re-application for any continued or new use shall be made to the Council before any such use is made.
- 8. Unless otherwise approved by the Council, this Decision and Order shall be void if all construction authorized herein is not completed within three years of the effective date of this Decision and Order or within three years after all appeals to this Decision and Order have been resolved.

Pursuant to CGS section 16-50p, we hereby direct that a copy of the Findings of Fact, Opinion, and Decision and Order be served on each person listed below, and notice of issuance shall be published in the <u>Hartford Courant</u>.

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By this Decision and Order, the Council disposes of the legal rights, duties, and privileges of each party named or admitted to the proceeding in accordance with section 16-50j-17 of the Regulations of State Agencies.

The party to this proceeding is:

PARTY

Springwich Cellular Limited Partnership

ITS REPRESENTATIVE

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CERTIFICATION

The undersigned members of the Connecticut Siting Council (Council) hereby certify that they have heard this case, or read the record thereof, in Docket No. 158, and voted as follows to approve the application of Springwich Cellular Limited Partnership for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the construction, maintenance, and operation of a cellular telecommunications tower and associated equipment for a proposed site located approximately 0.3 miles west of Hoskins Road, near the intersection of Andrews Road, Bloomfield, Connecticut:

Council Members	Vote Cast
Mortimer A. Gelston Chairman	YES
Commissioner Clitton A. Leonhardt Designee: Gerald J. Heffernan	YES
Brian Commissioner Timothy R.E. Keeney Designee: Brian Emerick	YES
Harry E. Covey	ABSENT
Daniel P. Lynch, Jr	YES
Gloria Dibble Pond Gloria Dibble Pond	YES
Paulann H. Sheets	ABSENT
Colin C. Tait	YES
Dana J. Wright	YES

Dated at New Britain, Connecticut, May 6, 1993.